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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, and action on the merits, please amend the instant application to read as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Amended) A composite fabric comprising a substrate and a coating (3) applied to the substrate so as to form a continuous sheet adhered to the substrate, wherein the substrate comprises a mesh of multifilament metal cord (1).
- 2. (Amended) A composite fabric as claimed in claim 1, wherein the substrate is woven and comprises warp and weft cords (1).

